

then in the process of his amendment being offered, any other issues related to the bill can be dealt with. But what this bill says is that an officer making a visual observation or estimate of a motorist's speed would have to corroborate that estimate by means of an electronic, mechanical or radar device in order to procure a conviction for violation of the speed law. The bill got 24 votes the other day and since then I've talked to a number of you. The concerns that a few had have been taken care of and Senator Hohenstein's amendment is one which will...I will let him explain his amendment but it deals with an issue that I don't disagree with. I did pass around to you some material I had gotten from the Colonel, Colonel Tussing, that is, who is the Superintendent of the State Patrol, and he had written with his own hand, well, with a pen in his hand, that if they could continue making clocks, car clocks, they wouldn't have opposition to the bill. That is the significance of what he wrote. The other material goes to how much money is spent in procuring speed measuring devices, training people in their use and to give the rationale for why I wanted to do away with these speedometer clocks which Colonel Tussing, himself, said...in fact, I want to read it into the record so that nobody will think that I fabricated this. It's on a Nebraska State Patrol interoffice memorandum paper. It was delivered to me February 5th by Lieutenant Gates of the State Patrol and it was from 453, that's the number 2-3-11. Those must be codes. But here is what it says, and it's written by Colonel Tussing. "We would withdraw any opposition to Senator Chambers' bill if we had some assurance that we could obtain the necessary equipment to make car clocks obsolete. We agree that car clocks are the least reliable and most error prone method. We have 305 radars and 159 VASCARS. If we had 141 more VASCARS, we would never need to do another car clock. We still feel aircraft stopwatch clocks over measured distances are inherently accurate. VASCARS cost \$1,300." The aircraft clocks are not affected by this bill but he was pointing out the various methods that he thought were effective in enforcing the speed laws. So that is as much as I will say at this point and we can entertain Senator Hohenstein's amendment now.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Hohenstein would move to amend. (Senator Hohenstein's amendment appears on page 550 of the Legislative Journal.)